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Forrest Reid letter to Father O'Keeffe
1918 January 22

Abstract: Irish author Forrest Reid wrote to Father O'Keeffe (Denis Canon O'Keeffe) to arrange a meeting for the following week.
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Biographical Notes

Forrest Reid

Northern Irish novelist Forrest Reid was also a biographer, critic, essayist, and translator.

Born on June 24, 1875 (or 1876 according to some sources), in Belfast, Ireland, Forrest Reid was a founding member of the Irish Academy of Letters.

Reid's last original novel, Young Tom, or, Very Mixed Company, was published in 1944 and won the James Black Tait Memorial Prize for the best work of fiction. Reid died on January 04, 1947, in Belfast, Ireland.

Denis Canon O'Keeffe

Dublin-born Denis Canon O'Keeffe (1882-1952) became an MA in philosophy at the Royal University in 1904 and was ordained a priest in 1908. O'Keeffe was affiliated with Queen's University, Belfast, from 1909 until 1925, when he was appointed chair of ethics and politics at University College, Dublin. He later became dean of the faculty of philosophy at UCD. In Brian Taylor's The Green Avenue: the life and writings of Forrest Reid, 1875-1947, Father O'Keeffe is mentioned on pages 181 as the partial basis for the Jesuit "Father O'Brien" character in Reid's novel Pirates of the Spring. It further mentions that Father O'Keeffe was connected with Queen's University in Belfast.

Sources:


Scope and Content Note

Irish author Forrest Reid wrote to Father O'Keeffe (Denis Canon O'Keeffe) to arrange a meeting for the following week.

This brief letter, handwritten and signed by Forrest Reid, was originally laid in a copy of Reid's novel, *Following Darkness*, which Reid inscribed to Father O'Keeffe. *Following Darkness* was published by Arnold in 1912, but later revised and published in 1936 as *Peter Waring*.
Selected Search Terms

Personal Names

Reid, Forrest, 1875-1947--Correspondence.

O'Keeffe, Denis Canon--Correspondence.

Topical Terms

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Correspondence.

Personal Contributors

O'Keeffe, Denis Canon, correspondent.

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